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**SAIC Awarded NASA Evaluation and Support Contract**

(MCLEAN, VA) - Science Applications International Corporation's (SAIC) Space, Earth and Aviation Sciences Business Unit announced today that it has been selected by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) to receive the Earth and Space Science Evaluations, Assessments, Studies, Services and Support contract. This contract supports the **NASA Langley Research Center Science Support Office, Hampton, Va.**, and the Science Mission Directorate, NASA Headquarters, Washington, D.C.

The scope of the contract includes management, scientific and technical studies, as well as assessments used in the evaluation of current and potential NASA programs. Also, SAIC will provide information management services including Web-based systems, databases, reference documents and Web site development. The Science Support Office (SSO) contract is a five-year, **\$110 million indefinite-delivery/indefinite-quantity contract.**

"For more than 30 years, SAIC has supported NASA's science exploration programs by providing assessments and studies," said Henry Pierce, senior vice president and general manager of SAIC's Space, Earth and Aviation Sciences Business Unit. "Through feasibility, risk and cost analyses, SAIC will provide NASA with critical information to support strategic investment and programmatic decisions."

The SSO support program is growing in size and complexity. In response, SAIC has assembled a highly qualified team of experts covering a diverse array of fields. **Supporting SAIC as subcontractors are: Analytical Mechanics Associates, Inc., and Genex Systems, both in Hampton, Va.;** Futron Corporation, Bethesda, Md.; Global Science and Technology, Inc., Greenbelt, Md.; and AZ Technology in Huntsville, Ala. Since these contractors all represent small businesses, teaming with them helps NASA to meet its goal of increasing participation of small businesses in high technology programs. Additionally, SAIC continues to identify pre-qualified subcontractors, and to establish consulting agreements with highly qualified individuals.